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## Ackerman--- Man of Many Hobbies

### Congressman Saves Rain Stick, Stamps and John Hancocks'

OVER the flats of Singapore and across the sands of the Sahara, up the valley of the Ganges and over the peaks about St. Moritz, by boat down the River of Doubt and by sleigh through the waist-deep snows of the Siberian steppes—almost anywhere, in fact, except the Polar regions, a faithful umbrella has traveled with its owner. It has been mended and repaired, of course, but it still has the same stanch stick and the same heavy silk covering, though it has been around the globe more than a score of times and has gone into nearly every country.

Congressman Ernest R. Ackerman of New Jersey, the Republican roll-call bellwether of the lower branch of congress, is the owner of the umbrella. No matter where you see Mr. Ackerman, if he has his hat on, you see the umbrella. And when it is not with him it is in a specially built rack in his office or his home, with his hat always upon it, so the one cannot be remembered without the other.

Forty-five years ago the umbrella came into Mr. Ackerman's possession by purchase. Mr. Ackerman, who is one of the cement millionaires of the country, bought

the umbrella at Bond's in Piccadilly, London. A close friend was with him at the time and bought one like it. Immediately afterward the friend bet Mr. Ackerman he would have his umbrella longer. He lost his two weeks afterward. Mr. Ackerman has carried his ever since. And last year it made its fiftieth trip abroad.

Scores of trips to Europe, Asia, Africa and South America—a different place each year—have added to the umbrella mileage. The umbrella was still good and strong enough to make a visit with the Ackermans this year to Italy and the Adriatic.

The handle has been carved, by the Ackerman hand, with notations as to where and when the umbrella has been when important world events have occurred under the Ackerman eye. There are little silver plates, too, noting the dates of special trips the umbrella has made.

The umbrella fad is not the only one in which Mr. Ackerman engages. He is a postage stamp collector, one of the most assiduous in the world. Of course, one hears that King George of England and King Victor Emmanuel of Italy are the greatest, but Mr. Ackerman will tell you this is not so, as they interest themselves in

the stamps of their own realms only. The New Jersey congressman makes his collections general.

Recently Mr. Ackerman has added to his collection, at much expense, a complete set of the pre-revolutionary stamps. These stamps are very rare.

Stamp collecting has long been a fancy for famous men, but Mr. Ackerman has made his efforts a sort of cooperative venture, which has led him into many associations. He thinks nothing when in London or Rome of acquainting the palaces and their occupants of his presence. There has been much swapping of stamps with King George and King Victor as a result. Only recently Mr. Ackerman traded a rare British African stamp with King George in return for another British empire stamp of which the King had duplicates.

Mr. Ackerman has another hobby, too. One of his relatives who died several years ago left him a set of letters, including one by each of the Presidents of the United States. Mr. Ackerman had the set handsomely bound and then decided to do a little collecting of letters himself. His efforts have been fruitful and his assortment of autographs and documents is highly prized.

—Democratic Watchman,  
Bellefonte, Pa.

## First Day For Edison Stamp

The first day sale of the new Edison stamp at Menlo Park, New Jersey, has probably set another record in first day sales of postage stamps. The recent issue of the Clark stamp was accomplished under much more favorable conditions with a life size post office equipped to handle the business but when the Government tries to convert a parlor postoffice into a metropolitan postoffice for a single day's business it just can't be done.

The postoffice at Menlo Park which is a tiny settlement of about 35 houses, is located in the cottage of postmaster James F. Shepard and consists of a panel of letter boxes only large enough to accommodate the residents of the village.

Long before the postmaster and his family had the breakfast dishes washed, prospective buyers of the new stamps were clamoring for admittance. Uncle Sam had sent eight assistants to help the Menlo Park postmaster handle the big job which had been set for him.

Mr. M. L. Eidness, Jr., superintendent of the division of stamps of the postoffice department was there as well as Mrs. Shaughnessy, both of whom have had much experience in handling special sales of stamps for collectors.

On all occasions of this sort there is always someone who bought the first stamp. It is needless to mention names for we do not know who this party was, but we have newspaper reports and other information naming Kenneth Shepard, son of the Menlo Park postmaster as having bought the first stamp and there is a statement in one paper crediting May Ann Peins, two-year-old daughter of Rudolph Peins, one of Edison's pioneers with mailing the first three pieces of mail to Thomas A. Edison, President Hoover and Henry Ford.

The New York Sun is authority for the statement that there were more than 250,000 letters received at the Menlo Park postoffice requesting the new stamps. We would much rather believe that letters bearing orders for a total of 250,000 of the stamps had been received. Figuring 25 to a mail order which is the postoffice limit the total number of letters would be 10,000 but rather than the limit being 25 stamps the limit is 25 letters to be stamped and mailed and since many of these were for blocks of four and for pairs and other pieces it is likely that the mail orders totaled considerable under 10,000 separate orders, for an aggregate of close to 250,

000 stamps, most of which had to be placed on envelopes which were supplied and mailed out from Menlo Park after being cancelled.

Orders from collectors poured in for several days prior to the fifth of June on which date the stamps were placed on sale. The cancelling stamp or rather the cancelling machine, for a special machine was taken to Menlo Park for this work, was kept busy for four or five days, cancelling the letters with the June 5th date and Mr. Roessler advises that he saw thousands of unopened mail orders which he was told would not be reached before June 8th. Of course these will get through with the June 5th date.

Our thanks are due A. C. Roessler for an air mail cover as well as an ordinary 2c rate cover from Menlo Park on June 5th. Both covers are very appropriately decorated with a picture of Edison and with inscription at top, "First Day Cover—June 5, 1929", reading down on the right side, "Menlo Park, N. J." and across the bottom the "Thomas A. Edison" trade mark signature. Very handsome souvenirs of this occasion. A cover is also at hand from Mr. Nels Lundgard of Ventour, N. J.

Atlantic City, New Jersey, was honored by being the first city outside of Washington, D. C., to have the stamps officially on sale on June 6th. From Atlantic City we have a cover from Mr. Maurice Nathanson and a fine block of four via air mail from Mr. R. Orville Ketchum. Atlantic City was given this honor without advance notice to collectors so that covers from this point will not be plentiful. On this same date, June 6th, the stamps were available at the Philatelic Agency in Washington and we are indebted to Mrs. Lila P. Wallace for a handsome first day card from there.

Joe Demers of Saginaw, Michigan, was on the job and has given to Saginaw the honor of being one of the first cities to cancel the new Edison Stamps after they were let loose for general distribution. A letter from Mr. Demers bearing an Edison Stamp cancelled on June 7th arrived at our office on June 8th.

The newspapers make much over the fact that Henry Ford bought the first Edison Stamp that was sold at Atlantic City and that when he went to search his pockets for 2 cents to pay for the stamp he found himself short of change and had to borrow the money from J. F. Quinlan, executive director of the Jubilee of Light.

## NEW ISSUES

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A54, 15c on 20c slate blue, No. 182	2.00
Egypt, SD1, 20m red & black...	.16
Madeira, A92, 3c to 7c, 21 var...	1.95
Norway, 41 ovptd, "POST", 1 ore-200 ore	1.65
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Persia aro issue, AP6-7, 10ch, 2kr, 2 var.	.65
Spain Seville aro issue, 5, 10, 25, 30, 1p	.60
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## New York Stock Transfer Stamps

Few collectors, and especially the boy collector, but have seen and had copies of the New York State Revenue Stamps which are commonly known as Stock Transfer Stamps.

Announcement is just made that New York State will issue a Thousand Dollar Stock Transfer stamp and an account of these stamps with much information about their use is given in an article in the New York Times of May 27th. The information is of interest to collectors and we take pleasure in reprinting portions of this article herewith.

The State Department of Taxation and Finance, is about to issue a new \$1,000 stock transfer stamp.

The law now imposes a tax of two cents a share on the sale or agreement to sell shares of stock of \$100 face value or fraction thereof and on every share of stock of no-par value. The new stamp will be used to cover individual transactions of 50,000 shares of these classes of stock. About 30,000,000 stamps are disposed of annually through the Division of Finance.

It was eleven years ago, on Feb. 17, 1918, that the State issued a \$100 stamp. Up to that time the highest denomination was a \$20 stamp, but with increased business on the Stock Exchange the \$100 stamp became necessary. This worked well until about a year ago, when the stock market began to have days that broke all records. Increased activity of large share transactions followed. On March 26 of this year 8,246,740 shares were traded, and on several days the sales were more than 6,000,000 shares.

To do away with the necessity of handling so many stamps a higher denomination stamp was determined upon, as trades in 50,000-share lots have now become more or less commonplace.

The new stamp will be about one and a half inches square. The background and border will be white and all wording and characters in Olive green. Across the top in a waving banner effect will be "State of New York" and underneath in the centre will be the State's seal, while on either side will be the character "M" and the word "One." Under this, printed across the stamp, will be "One Thousand Dollars."

On the next line below will appear the words "Stock Transfer Tax," and in a small space at the bottom serial numbers. All the new stamps are to be numbered serially and consecutively to give

additional protection. It is planned to have the purchaser of each stamp recorded.

While the Federal Government has a \$1,000 stamp, it is believed that New York is the first State to issue such a stamp. The new stamps will be ready about July 1. Stamps are now sold in denominations of 2, 4, 10, 20 and 50 cents, \$1, \$2, \$10, \$20 and \$100.

The stock transfer tax law became operative in New York State in 1905.

### First Daze

Menlo Punk, N. J., June 5, 1929  
Dear Ed:-

You asked me to cover this First Day event for the Edison Stamp but I think you should have said First "Daze". At least everyone there seemed to be in that fix. The P. M. at Menlo nearly had his house wrecked and even the old timers like Eidness and Mrs. Shaughnessy were dazed by the volume of orders for steel engravings of Edison's first lamp. Why did Uncle Sam have to try to make the stamp as poor as the first light must have been?

After the fracas at Menlo I thot I would run down to Atlantic City for a rest but imagine my feelings when I jumped right into another First Daze scramble for the little stickers. Even Henry Ford was there buying stamps and I bet you if those Detroit Boys would get to Hen just right that they could convince him that a stamp collection should be a part of the great Museum that he is creating.

Then about 25 years from now we can get Walter Brown to issue a 50th Anniversary stamp for the old Model T. By that time they will all be gone and then we can have peace.

—PHIL DODGERS.

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#### CHRONICLE OF NEW ISSUES

##### Bureau Precancels

Under this heading all new issues will be reported. All collectors are urged to co-operate with the Editor by sending copies of all new heretofore unlisted items to the Editor of this column for chronicle, which will be returned promptly at our expense. No stamps will be listed unless they are seen; this is absolutely necessary to prevent mistakes creeping into the list.

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OLD TYPE

NEW TYPE

(Editor's note: Not knowing just when and where Mr. Gunesch left off with his listing, I am this time listing only those items which I have seen for the first time during the past three weeks or so.)

##### OLD TYPE COILS

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Worcester, Mass., 2c, 5c.

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Toledo, Ohio, 1½c.

Submitted, June 1, 1929

#### THE NEW BUROPRINT EDITOR MAKES HIS BOW

In accepting Mr. Linn's gracious offer of the editorship of the Buroprint page, my first thought is of Mr. Gunesch, my predecessor, who has found that the limits of his time prevent his carrying on the work. I have greatly appreciated Mr. Gunesch's work in this department, and am really sorry that he is unable to continue it.

My endeavor will be to have as interesting and up-to-date Buroprint page as possible. My first interest will be to make it of primary importance and value to the Buroprint collector, with my own and Mr. Linn's benefit a secondary consideration. But I can succeed in this only if I have the active and hearty cooperation of every Buroprint fan. In no other field of stamp collecting today is the chase as keen as for Buroprints. The collector wants his collection complete; he wants to know about the new issues at once, and to get them into his collection as soon as possible.

All right! I'm with you, and here is what I want you to do, for yourselves and for us: Send the editor of this department without delay a copy of each and every Bureau Print Precancel (or stamp that you may think is one) that you get hold of, if you do not find it listed in the last catalog or in any of the New Issue listings that have appeared in this paper since Feb. 1st. As stated above, the stamps will be returned at our expense—within 24 hours after receipt. Also, the editor wishes to state that he is making a personal type and reference collection, and when possible will appreciate extra copies for this purpose—for which he is willing to give thanks, exchange, or cash, as desired.

But remember that it will take real cooperation to keep the listing of new Buroprints up to date. Don't leave it to the other fellow; do it yourself—especially if it is your own home town that is making the new issue. And unless we are requested not to do so, we will gladly mention the name of each person who first shows us a new item for listing.

##### The Editor Deplores—

We very much deplore the hit-or-miss unmethodical system, or lack of system, rather, now being employed by the Bureau of Printing and Engraving with the new small standard Buroprint types. I am moved to write this by the arrival of the new Houston 1c ordinary in the small type. It shows "Houston, Texas" in two lines,—the "Texas" spelt out in full, instead of abbreviated to "Tex." as with Dallas and Plainview. I can see no rhyme nor

reason for this. I thought they might have used it because Dallas was a short word—but Plainview is longer than either Dallas or Houston, so that leaves out the "balancing of type" explanation. But I principally regret the use of the spelt-out "Texas" with the new Houston for this reason: The old type Houston was a fine sample of "Gothic" type. One could say, the new standard Buroprint types are exactly like the old Houston type, but much reduced in size. Too bad the new standard type for Houston isn't EXACTLY like the old type. And in this regard it might be well to mention that Houston has a local city type precancel very similar to the old Buroprint type but distinguished by the fact that the

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city type was "Texas" and the Buroprint "TEX."

But this is by no means the first inconsistency in the new standard types. Just to mention a few at random:

Many three-word cities, such as San Francisco, Calif., New York, N. Y., Kansas City, Mo., are printed in THREE lines of type both for the ordinary and the coil. But other three-word cities, such as Los Angeles, Calif., and Des Moines, Iowa, for no good reason at all—except perhaps some careless person's whim—are printed in TWO lines of type both for the ordinary and the coil. But that alone wouldn't be so bad, as long as everything for a certain city were uniform. But lo and behold! Here are Saint Louis, Mo., and Saint Paul, Minn., both THREE-WORD names, with the ordinaries appearing in THREE lines of type, and the coils only in TWO lines. Which sort of inebricated work leads one to fear that perhaps the Volstead Act isn't as well enforced in Washington, D. C., as it might be. The only thing lacking now, to make this crazy-quilt complete, is to have a three-word-name city appear in two lines on the ordinary and in three lines on the coil,—which would exhaust all the possibilities except inverts and diagonals.

It really seems too bad the Bureau could not have adopted in advance a uniform system: all three-word city names in three lines; and all state names the same, either in full or abbreviated, for each city of that state.

#### Buroprint Freaks

The editor of this department is interested in listing from time to time all the known freaks in Buroprints, such as broken letters, wide letters or "slips", etc. We realize well enough that these are not major varieties to be classed with the MIKWAUKES, or the San Francisco with no period after Calif. But they are interesting and often unique, and we feel that if we list them here it will lead others to watch for them and collect them. Just as in the case of new issues, it will be necessary for us to see a freak before we list it; and the same rule about returning to sender applies.

The editor of this department will appreciate any interesting news, items, or articles about Buroprints. Address all communications to M. R. Lampsom, 433 Rowell Bldg., Fresno, Calif.

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The prospectus contains a list of judges for the show, together with full details about the plan of the exhibits and the different classes under which stamps and other materials are to be displayed. There are ten different sections under which exhibits may be made and each of these sections are divided into numerous different groups. Each section is to be judged by certain judges delegated for the section.

A list of rules for exhibitors is in the prospectus as well as an exhibitors blank for notice of intention to exhibit. Collectors who wish to exhibit can have a copy of the prospectus by addressing Victor W. Rotnem, 1054 McKnight Bldg., Minneapolis, Minn. We understand that all stamp collectors whether members of the American Philatelic Society, or otherwise, are invited to exhibit and all collectors whether or not they are members of the society are invited to the Exhibition.

#### CLEVELAND NEWS

The new Edison stamps appeared at Garfield-Perry Meeting last Friday night both as first day covers and in various size sheets. No errors uncovered.

A bad scratch appears on Plate number 19778 upper left pane in one of the gutters straight out from the side ways plate number. Runs diagonally through two of the stamps. Number forty-three being one of them. On the same plate number sixty-three shows a scratch across the bulb. The latter being just about nothing at all.

W. W. MacLaren has been appointed auctioneer in place of Bill Whittaker whose eyes have been failing him somewhat recently. Everybody was sorry to lose Bill but at the same time they are also pleased to have Mac.

The airmail collectors are now very nearly completely organized and meetings right along are proving of great interest. A number of Garfield-Perry men are members of the group and we have been hoping that in some manner the entire group could be brought into G. P.

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## Editorials

**WE ARE TOO FAST** Our efforts to get the news to our readers have been sincere on our part. We have taken pride in the fact that we are able to broadcast air mail information in time for collectors to get in on the flights. We have been proud of the fact that we give out news of other matters while it is hot. Speed of this sort has been unusual in Philatelic Publications and even the Hoover Boys, one of whom is on the staff of that great Metropolitan newspaper, the New York Sun, are upset by our progressive plan of printing the news while it's hot.

In our issue of June 3rd we printed the information that the new Bureau Catalog would revert to the U type of numbering and that the pricing would be on a 50% discount basis. This information was gathered from a letter written by Dr. Mitchell and Published in Gossip of May 25th. In the same issue of our paper Phil Dodgers had a letter in which he stated that the numbering would be by the B numbers and that pricing would be on the net basis. In this manner our paper contradicted itself but through no fault of ours as we had information from the Atlantic and the Pacific Coast, information from parties whose word we believed was law on the Bureau Catalog and since this information did not agree in details we could only print both stories to be sure of being right.

A letter is now at hand from the Hoover Borthers assuring us

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that the catalog will be priced on the net basis, that the numbering will be by the B numbers and that everything else will be in proper form. A letter also comes from Dr. Mitchell assuring us that his original letter to Gossip had been sent in about a month before it was printed and this seems to account for the fact that the information was inaccurate as at the time the copy was supplied to Gossip, it was the intention to revert to the old style of cataloging.

We regret that our progressive method of supplying hot news has upset the equilibrium of the Bureau Chiefs, but we will still continue to print the latest information we are able to get regardless of the source. If the source is not right, it is time to correct matters at that end of the line.

### THE BLIND

### MEN SEE THE ELEPHANT

Our readers are no doubt familiar with the story of the blind men who went to see the elephant. The story tells how one blind man taking hold of the elephants tail said that the elephant was very much like a rope, how another man getting hold of a leg said that the elephant was like a tree. Others had different opinions due solely to the fact that they could not see and understand what they had come to see. This story is brought to mind by the great variety of stories that we get concerning the Rotary Press at Washington on which the Bureau Print stamps are made. Out of several different letters and accounts of this press we find a wide range of opinion and a great lack of agreement on the part of those who have seen the press.

It is useless to attempt to describe the press and its working when those who have seen it can not do so. We have stories about the plates being stereotypes. We have a statement from another man who claims that the plates are electrotypes, that they are first made flat and then curved to fit the cylinders on the press. If the plates are stereotypes they are made in curved form for the stereotype metal is too brittle to curve after making. Then as to the stretched letters that appear on some stamps. We have advice that the printing plates print the paper while it passes over a roll or cylinder covered with a rubber blanket. If this is the situation then that will account for the stretching of the letters.

### EMBARRASING QUESTIONS

Our new Postmaster General Walter Brown must have been thinking of the ladies when he issued the recent order to clerks at Parcel Post windows regarding

the questions they ask when inquiring of the prospective mailer as to the contents of a parcel. Mr. Brown says, "The question: 'What does this package contain', or something similar, sometimes used unthinkingly in the stress of business, should hereafter be scrupulously avoided and that there be substituted therefor questions such as "Merchandise?" "Wearing Apparel?" "Hardware?" "Candy?" etc.

Imagine the sweet young thing stepping up to the parcel post window with a parcel of silk unmentionables for a girl friend in Pittsburgh. It's awful embarrassing to be asked such questions.

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# The Air Mail



## Grinnell, Iowa

A letter from C. S. George of Grinnell asks that we announce that the airport at Grinnell will not be dedicated until in October. At the same time there will also be a celebration in honor of the 75th anniversary of the settlement of Grinnell. A special cachet will be used on Air Mail on this occasion.

Mr. George also adds a "P. S." and says that he may call on us some day next month. Come right along brother and don't fail to look us up.

## Bethlehem, Pa.

Mr. Jos. L. Weber sends a clipping relative to construction of the airport at Bethlehem but there is no information as to probable date of the dedication of this airport. We hope to have further information.

## Ashtabula, Ohio

Mr. Don C. Minnick of Toledo, writes that "The Chamber of Commerce of Ashtabula, Ohio, will apply a special cachet on June 22, to all air mail. This is the opening date of the Ashtabula Airport, and quite an elaborate dedication has been arranged. Covers should be sent, ready to go to the Chamber of Commerce, Ashtabula, Ohio.

## Zeppelin Flight

Associated Press reports in various newspapers state that the Zeppelin will start for the United States again on June 20th, weather permitting.

## Olympia, Washington

Mr. S. Bendet of New York, sends a letter from the Chamber of Commerce of Olympia, Washington, from which we gather the information that the Airport at Olympia will be dedicated sometime this summer. A special cachet or appropriate marking will be applied to all covers. Send covers to Chamber of Commerce at Olympia.

## Columbus, Ohio, Dedication

Last week, the latest information at hand was that the Columbus Airport would be dedicated on July 1st. The date has now been

set back a week later and in conjunction with the dedication there is to be an Air Circus. The dates of this event will be July 6, 7 and 8. The first Plane to Train transportation through this airport will be on the morning of July 8, and unless some plan is made for a cachet for the air circus we shall use our effort to have the covers now in the hands of the Chamber of Commerce mailed and cacheted on this date.

## The South American Flights

Mr. Emile Mizrahi sends a clipping from a Canal Zone newspaper which speaks of the new service to South American countries. We believe that the clipping is from a newspaper at Colon, Panama, and we find that on the inaugural flight southward from Canal Zone that the mail from Panama consisted of 193 letters addressed to Guayaquil, Ecuador, 136 to Lima, Peru, and 75 letters to Mollendo, Peru. As we understand the newspaper report this is mail originating in Colon, Panama, and does not include mail from Canal Zone. The total weight of this mail according to the newspaper report was about five and one-half pounds for which the postoffice at Colon sold stamps amounting to \$117.93.

## Indianapolis Aviation Show

Mr. Floyd D. Shockley sends a list of the different colored cachets that were used on the various dates of this show and with the quantities of covers that were mailed on each date. This list will be of interest in judging the value of these covers. We give the dates, color of cachet and quantity mailed.

May 27, blue	1042
May 28, red	901
May 29, green	776
May 30, violet	717
May 31, black	724
June 1, maroon	684
June 2, red and blue	708
Total	5552

Mr. Shockley also supplies a list of the different colored cachets that were applied on the day of the big Speedway Race on May 30th. This is the large circular cachet in honor of the air races from Indianapolis to St. Louis. A

## Canadian Airport Dedications

Between June 4th and 6th there will be six flights made between Hamilton, Kingston, Toronto and Montreal. What is more, the cachet used will be OFFICIAL and for that reason I am handling the covers since they can be placed on a par with U. S. CAM's.

Set of 6 covers complete. NOT addressed beyond the points the cachets call for, ONE DOLLAR. Each order will be sent via airmail if you mention LINN'S and ask for this favor.

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## Air Mail Stamps

Albania No. 601, used .....\$ .05  
Chile, 20c 1p. Mint set ..... 1.00  
Peru, 50c Green, mint ..... .50  
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You remember how short the notice on the Molly Pitcher stamp was, and these are selling at \$1.00 for a set of three now. The SULLIVANS will be just as good, and probably better, since the stamp will be much more attractive. We offer the following combinations at our usual BARGAIN prices. Our supply is small, and, no doubt, will be exhausted soon. Better rush your order in at once!!

Complete set of 15 covers, one of each city ..... \$1.00  
Complete set as above, but by air mail 2.25  
Both the above for only ..... 3.00  
One cover from any city, 10c; Same by AIR ..... .25c  
Both for only ..... 30c  
ADD 15c to your order if you want a mint block of four and a mint single.  
Edison First Day Covers: Menlo Park, N. J., 10c; Same by Air Mail, 20c; both for only 25c.

Many Airport Dedications for 10c each. See June A. M. C. or ask for a selection on APPROVAL.

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Please note: SUMMER ADDRESS, after June 25th, 'till September, will be: NORTH BRIDGTON, MAINE.

list of the colors and quantities mailed is given herewith.

Violet 674; green 376; dull violet 33; black 153; blue 488; red 238 and a combination of red and blue, 2 pieces. Making a total of 1964.

#### Some New Covers

A neatly printed cachet in honor of the first anniversary of C. A. M. 20, Albany, Schenectady, Utica, Syracuse, Rochester and Buffalo, June 1, 1929, comes from Mr. Harry E. Klotzbach of Buffalo.

Toledo, Ohio, uses a map of Ohio in outline as a cachet in honor of the first anniversary of air mail and dedication of the Transcontinental airport at Toledo on June 3rd. The cachet comes stamped in various colors and the Toledo postmaster Mr. W. T. Huntsman, very graciously found time to autograph some covers that went out on this event.

The Charlotte, N. Car., 39th United Confederate Veterans Reunion used a black cachet on the 4th, a red on the 5th, a blue on the 6th, and a green on the 7th of June.

#### The Canadian Flights

One nice thing about Canadian Flights is that we still get the backstamps. Covers from all of the cities on the flights of June 5th and June 6th have come to hand and very interesting lot of different cachets have been applied to the covers. Collectors who insist on backstamps to their U. S. Air mail covers need only get a good correspondent in Canada and address their covers there and thus get the backstamp. The editor did this with his Army Maneuvers covers from Columbus and was agreeably surprised when they came back to find them backstamped at St. Paul, Minn. Must be some sort of a regulation which requires air mail or possibly all mail leaving this country to be backstamped at the last point of handling in this country. Whatever the regulation, it provides the backstamp for those who must have it.

#### Great Air Mail System in China

The Chinese Government is planning an extensive Air Mail system throughout China. All of the principal cities of this great country are to be linked together with a vast network of air ways. A detailed account of the plans appeared in a recent issue of the United States Daily.

#### A Sunflower Cachet

Captain Kenneth G. Lewis of Topeka, Kansas, Assistant Adjutant General of Kansas sends a very attractive cover on the occasion of the Dedication of St.

Mary's College Airport at St. Marys, Kansas. This event took place on June 1st. The cachet is a large sunflower printed in yellow and overprinted with the wording "Dedication—St. Mary's College Airport—St. Marys, Kansas—June 1st, 1929." The cachet is printed and not handstamped. Captain Lewis states that there were but 382 covers of this dedication.

#### Sahara Desert Air Mail

The French and Belgian Governments will establish an air mail line across the Sahara Desert. The information made public on May 29, is supplied by the American Vice Consul at Paris, and is clipped from the United States Daily. In order that you will not send covers at once we print the clipping in full.

The new air line will extend between Antwerp and Paris, and Beira (the Portuguese East African port) and thence across the Mozambique Channel to Madagascar. A passenger service will be provided later if found to be feasible.

The arrangement contemplated is an alternating weekly service performed jointly; that is, a Belgian plane will leave Antwerp or Brussels for Beira one week and a French plane will fly the following week between Paris and Madagascar via Beira. The crossing of the Sahara Desert will take place by night.

The service will connect at Broken Hill with the British Cape-to-Cairo, air line, and also will provide connections for Brazzille and Stanleyville, in the Belgian Congo. As the new service must await lighting of the desert route, however, it is not expected to commence operation before 1930.

#### Army Manouvers Cachets

The eleven days of the Army Manouvers in Columbus are well recorded in the albums of air mail cover collectors. The News is glad to have been able to help many collectors get in on this event and we are glad also to be able to print figures showing the number of covers sent out each day. The work of handling a special event of this sort is quite heavy. The young ladies at the Chamber of Commerce who applied the cachets on the covers for collectors probably never want to see another Army Manouvers in Columbus with its consequent cachet.

The Editor of the News handled over 4000 covers and the work in doing this alone was enough to satisfy anyone.

The figures which we give here are the count as taken at our office for covers handled by the News. These figures are in the first column. The figures in the second column are the figures as taken from the cancelling machine count

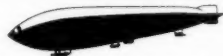
at the postoffice. Doubtless the actual number will be somewhat above the figures given as some late arrivals were not put through with the original lot each day and thus the count may be a few short on some dates.

May 15	571	1600
May 16	332	1035
May 17	320	990
May 18	306	945
May 19	310	955
May 20	300	925
May 21	446	1315
May 22	299	935
May 23	320	980
May 24	353	1050
May 25	480	1325

TOTALS 4037 12055  
4037 handled at News office,  
7918 at C. of C., 12055 total.

English Zeppelin R100 will take the air for the first time on July 1. The sister ship R101 about Sept. 1.—Louis J. Guenzel

#### Air Mail Envelopes



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Your name and address printed on either face, as an address, or back as a return card, in either black, blue or green—\$1.00 extra.

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\*Guatemala, air stamps. Not on sale to the public yet—just a little advance shipment on the 15 peso showing a train going over viaduct, No. 215. Overprinted in red "Servicio Postal Aero, ano de 1928, q.05. 4 var., 3, 5, 15, 20q. Set 75c

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\*Canada air labels. Just out. Commercial Airway. Shows plane over the map of Alberta, Canada. 10c black (no value indicated) 15c  
\*Panama. 10, 15c and 25c. Provisional airmails on the new expreso stamps. 50,000 issued. Temporary issue; new set coming by the American Bank Note Co. The 3 provisionals for 75c  
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## NOTES FROM THE PHILATELIC NEWS BUREAU

### Edison Stamp Poor

The Edison Stamp is a distinct disappointment. The engraving is good, but the design was evidently made by a demon boy artist in a beginners school. The first serious error is the bulb is upright, when anybody knows 95% of those in use are with round part down. Cut out the lamp and you have left only a mass of lettering and this when cancelled looks like a Japanese issue. This is undoubtedly Sam's poorest effort.

The basic trouble is a silly law which prevents likeness of a living person on stamps. Who and why? Gee, what a chance to put out a peachy stamp with the kindly intelligent, manly face of Edison! It seems to us that this phoney stamp is excuse enough to start action to throw that law in the rubbish can.

### Better Cut It

This business of putting a stamp on sale at only one office in the U. S. is crazy. It is unfair, too. We saw thousands of unopened mail orders which we were told were not to be reached until June 8. The big day was June 5. The P. O. dept. had to import 8 people, 3 high priced officials and it certainly had to pay \$500 for damage to the P. M.'s home. The affair smelled strongly of cheapness, helped no one and isn't being done by any other postal department.

### They Know Collectors

In a talk with one of the heads of the post office department about the Philatelic agency, he mentioned that dozens of collectors and quite a few dealers offered themselves as the head of the Agency and modestly told how they knew about the plate number blocks, etc. We were told that the department wouldn't have a collector in even if he worked free. Most of them are too wise.

Chamberlin, the clerk in charge, is a hustler of about 33 and is not a collector. Some thought is being given to our suggestion to handle orders in 2 piles—one for single item orders, the other for 5c and 10c orders which call for fussy handling of this and that.

### Very Charming

The head stamp clerk at Menlo was Mrs. Shaughnessy of Washington, D. C. Her husband will be remembered by most old-time dealers as one of the high P. O. officials.

### No Cancelled Sheets

The superintendent of the stamps of the post office department at Washington, Mr. M. L. Eidness, Jr., is like most of the post office officials, a perfect gentleman. He was the first to permit us to cancel the sheets, but inspector Albert C. Gahwe, ordinarily pleasant, read something into the regulations that prevented us from having cancelled our own property. He also was the inspector who had first said that we couldn't mail more than 25 letters, even if we furnished our own help. We think he was wrong in both cases. Anyway, we put thru about 10,000 pieces.

### Enough for All

The Edison never will be rare. 80,000,000, made up 50 flat bed and 30 coils. The latter will go on sale June 10. Effort being made to get it in imperforate sheets.

### Not Ready Yet

While all of the stamp papers are making a big talk about the new pictorial Falkland Island sets soon to be issued the P. M. tells us under date of April 9th in a letter received June 6th, (which time gives idea of postal service) that this set will not be out for "some considerable time."

### DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

Mr. Arthur O. Litt of New York, writing about the new Alcazar de Colon set of Dominican Republic, advises that the set consists of the following values, 1/2, 1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 50 centavos and 1 peso. Of the 1/2 centavo there were 800,000 printed, 50c, 5000 and of the 1 peso 2500. The quantities of the other values are unknown at present.

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C. Z. to British Honduras	1.00
C. Z. to Habana, Cuba	1.50

All first flights but have same cachet of map of C. America.

### Canal Zone South America

C. Z. to Esmeraldas roundtripper by airplane	\$1.50
C. Z. to Guayaquil	1.00
C. Z. to Lima, Peru	1.60
C. Z. to Mollendo	1.60
C. Z. to Talara	1.60
C. Z. to Trujillo	1.60

The above have cachet map of Colombia, Ecuador and Peru.

### Canal Zone—Colombia

C. Z. -Buenaventura	\$1.25
C. Z. -Tumaco	1.25

These two have cachet in words.

Panama Scarce air mail covers with Provisional Air mail stamps adhered to cover, scarce. All below covers have Panama air stamps.

### First Flight

Colon-Nicaragua	\$2.00
Colon-Honduras	2.00
Colon-British Honduras	2.00
Colon-Cuba, RARE	2.25
Colon-David, Chiriqui	2.00

Every one of the above have different special cachet to each country.

### Colon—South America, 1st Flight

Colon to Esmeraldas	\$2.00
Colon to Lima, Peru	2.50
Panama—Air Mail Stamps, 10c, 15c and 25c, mint. The set of three, scarce	\$1.00

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## THE TALE OF CITIES

The story of many a city is suggested by postage stamps. Stamps from Belgium, Syria, Italy, and other countries, lead us into such a study. For example, one Fiume postage stamp illustrates for us the piazza of St. Mark, and another shows us a Venetian galley. We are thus reminded perhaps, of the Venetian republic and perhaps also the Fourth Crusade for Venice received the Crusaders and led them on that fourth journey "for the conquest of the Holy Land."

Then we have the Belgian cities mentioned as Belgian precancels. And for Brussels, Louvain, Gand (Gent), Malines, Liege, Brugges, Mons and others, we have scenes from such cities, as the Louvain library, the carillon at Liege, the cathedrals of Brussels, Mons, Malines, etc.

Further than this, there are a few Syrian stamps that must be given a place here. A one piastre issue shows us a view of the town of Tarsus, where St. Paul visited and made famous; another one piastre stamp shows us a view of Damascus, equally as famous, and a town after which Damascene steel has been derived.

A Rumanian stamp used for its offices abroad, and surcharged "Constantinople", and a Turkish stamp (50 piastres value) showing a view of the Bosphorus, suggest to us some of the tales of Constantinople which has figured many times in history. Its position may be found by looking at that 2½ piastre Turkish issue showing Turkey both in Europe and Asia, which was the area of the Eastern Roman (Byzantine) Empire and the area of the crusades.

We may even go to Niagara Falls on stamps; a U. S. precancel "Niagara Falls" will start us; and then we see on other issues, the falls as well as the steel arch bridge. And we may visit Washington, D. C., starting with a precancel of that capital city, and then visiting the Capitol, the Lincoln Memorial, the Arlington Amphitheatre! We visit even San Francisco, always beginning our journey by a precancel of the mentioned area, and view the Golden Gate. These Little Journeys afford much interesting pleasure, and may even serve to instruct us, for stamp

collecting is worthy and educational as well as a lot of fun.

City after city might be named; some stamps can give us but a suggestion, as that German issue showing Cologne Cathedral; others show us views of a city's harbor, its coastline, or a part of it, or some one or more famous part or structure. We may visit Rome, viewing from one postage stamp of Tunis, the Roman Coliseum, and from one Italian stamp the Vatican! The Mosque of Selim is shown on an Adrianople stamp of Ottoman Turkey. And so it goes. Visits to many cities, and the enjoyment of many scenes may be had of an evening with postage stamps!

The pastime of locating cities and of assembling those stamps which show us city scenes as well as mentioning these cities is a unique game. Medellin and Bogota in Columbia, the various cities shown on United States local postal stamps of the 1840's, are a few additional ones; nor must we forget those cities and districts and some cantons that are advertised by the Switzerland Pro-juvenile sets that have been issued annually since 1913. A word on these may be interesting.

For the benefit of several charities, particularly having to do with child welfare, Switzerland has been for some years issuing semi-postal stamps, which are sold above face value to the tune of two, five and ten cents each. These began about 1913 and have continued since.

The designs are attractive. Boys and girls and coats of arms of various parts of Switzerland are featured as the designs of the stamps. A bull with a ring through its nostrils features one of the 1917 issues, 10c. to be exact, which is the insignia of the canton of Uri.

Midqualden and Obwalden, (1918) are represented by their insignia, in these instances the coat of arms of the two areas being designs which appear like keys.

Appenzell (1924) presents a walking bear on his hindfeet. Berne shows us (1921) on the 20c issue, a bear on all fours on the Bernese shield. Lucerne and Thurgau, represented on the 1926 issues, respectively, 30c and 5c values, lions.

The 1916 set of 3, 5, 10 centimes issues, is particularly attractive as

a series of pictures of young women.

These semi-postals are not cheap in price always. The 5c of 1913 sells for 15 cents unused; the ten centimes of 1915 goes up to four dollars unused (Scott's prices, 1929), but many are reasonable.

There seems to be a growing popularity for semi-postals. Certainly most of them serve a very worthy purpose, and these purposes ought to be supported. Collectors can do "their bit" by purchasing them for they also, as regards the Swiss pro-juvenile issues especially, are very attractive and colorful items.

Some of the cantons, cities and districts represented may be listed, as shown by these Swiss semi-postals:

Appenzel	Obwalden
Lucern	Zug
Uri	Schwyz
Geneva	Zurich
Midwalden	Tarsin
Vaud	Valais
Glarus	Basle
Berne	Neuchatel
Solothurn	Schaffhausen
St. Gall	Graubunden
Aargau	
Appenzell-Ausser-Rhoden	

Try to locate some of these areas on a map of Switzerland! Geographically, they form a guide, and the hunt for them may be interesting!

## SETS ON APPROVAL

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## CANADA

14....30	*54....30	*88....35
15....25	54....20	92....04
21....60	*55....1.50	93....05
25....60	*56....60	94....12
33....02	*57....65	96....05
34....08	*58....1.00	97....05
35....12	66....03	110....04
40....06	68....02	111....05
42a....20	70....05	111a....10
43....03	71....35	114....02
48....12	72....15	116....05
*51....07	78....07	117....07
51....05	81....10	118....02
*52....07	82....04	119....10
52....04	83....04	120....02
*53....07	84....10	126....02
53....01	85....08	127....12

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